



DRAGONFLY GARDENS

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Pollinator Raingarden
 Full to Part Sun
 Moist Soil, Wet Meadow
 Medium to Tall Height

AVAILABILITY, SIZE and PRICE subject to change.

	Flowers	Ht.	Moisture	Light	Description	2" Pot	4" Pot	6" Pot +
Wildflowers								
<i>Asclepias incarnata</i> Swamp Milkweed	Lavender June to Aug	36-48"	M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Showy plant of moist to wet habitats. Host plant for monarch butterflies, very good nectar source for butterflies and hummingbirds. Great for lake edges.	•	•	
<i>Aster novae-angliae</i> New England Aster	Blue Aug to Oct	36-60"	MD, M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Nice perennial for moist to wet habitats. Commonly used as a garden perennial and for wet lake-edge plantings. Nectar source for butterflies.	•	•	
<i>Baptisia australis</i> Blue False Indigo	Blue June to July	30-42"	M, MW	full to part sun	Stately perennial with glossy foliage and beautiful sky blue flower clusters. Excellent garden perennial. Native south of our range but tough enough for restorations here in NW WI.	•	•	
<i>Chelone glabra</i> Turtlehead	White July to Oct	24-36"	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Spikes of showy turtle-shaped flowers atop glossy dark green foliage. Nice for gardens and lake edge restorations. Widespread in MN and WI.	•		
<i>Eryngium yuccifolium</i> Rattlesnake Master	White July to Oct	36-48"	MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Exotic-looking plant that resembles a desert yucca. Bristly white heads and whitish foliage make it a great background perennial as well as a tough fast grower for restorations.	•	•	
<i>Eupatorium maculatum</i> Spotted Joe-Pye Weed	Purple July to Sept	48-60"	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Good lake edge perennial with broad flat-topped clusters of purple heads. Excellent butterfly plant. Ranges throughout MN and WI.	•	•	
<i>Eupatorium perfoliatum</i> Bonaset	White June to Aug	36-48"	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Nice lake edge plants with flat-topped cluster of white heads. Very nice purplish foliage with opposite fused leaves. Used medicinally to hasten healing of bones. Ranges throughout MN and WI.	•		
<i>Helenium autumnale</i> Sneezeweed	Yellow July to Oct	36-48"	MW, W	full sun to shade	Sneezeweed won't make you sneeze - it was used as an expectorant by Native Americans. Gaillardia-like heads in abundance. Good butterfly plant.	•		
<i>Heliopsis helianthoides</i> False/Early Sunflower	Yellow June to Oct	48-60"	MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Widespread on dry to wet soils. Long flowering period. Suited to all but very shady restoration sites. Commonly used as a garden perennial.	•	•	
<i>Liatris pycnostachya</i> Thick Spike Blazing Star	Purple July to Sept	36-60"	M, MW, W	full to part sun	Dense purple spikes. Good for moist and wet restoration sites. Very showy, good butterfly plant. Ranges throughout prairie regions of MN and WI.	•	•	•
<i>Liatris spicata</i> Marsh Blazing Star	Purple July to Aug	36-60"	M, MW, W	full to part sun	Most common liatris for perennial gardening. Grows well in any condition. Perfect pollinator plant. Native into SE WI. Moist to wet soils.	•	•	
<i>Lobelia cardinalis</i> Cardinal Flower	Red July to Oct	36-48"	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Showy spikes of red flowers are the best for attracting hummingbirds. Suited to moist soils particularly along waterways. Native through most of WI.	•	•	
<i>Rudbeckia subtomentosa</i> Sweet Black Eyed Susan	Yellow July to Sept	24-36"	MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Very attractive yellow heads in profusion atop deep green glossy leaves. Good for restorations and perennial gardens. Native into SW WI.	•	•	•
<i>Solidago rigida</i> Stiff Goldenrod	Yellow Aug to Sept	36-48"	D, MD, M, MW	full to part sun	Another goldenrod worthy of growing for its very attractive foliage. Topped with a broad, flat cluster of yellow heads. Adapted to mesic and moist soils. Good garden perennial.	•	•	
<i>Verbena hastata</i> Blue Vervain	Blue June to Sept	48-60"	M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Tall spikes of blue flowers really attract butterflies. Great for shoreland restorations on mesic to saturated soils. Throughout MN and WI.	•		
<i>Vernonia fasciculata</i> Ironweed	Rose-Pink July to Sept	48-60"	M, MW	full sun to part shade	Broad, flat clusters of pink heads to 5" across. Very attractive to butterflies. Good in moist to wet soils for lake edge landscaping. Wide ranging in MN and WI.	•	•	
<i>Veronicastrum virginianum</i> Culver's Root	White June to Sept	36-60"	MD, M, MW	full sun to part shade	Several tall showy spikes on top of each stem make this an excellent tall garden perennial. Attracts butterflies. Good in most soils except extremely dry.	•	•	

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Grasses, sedges, and rushes								
<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i> Blue Joint Reedgrass	Straw July to Aug	36-48"	M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Fine-leaved grass forms a dense cover on lake margins. One of the grasses displaced by reed canary grass and a good one to plant after nuking RCG. Purplish foliage.	•		
<i>Carex comosa</i> Bottlebrush Sedge	Green May to June	24-42"	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Beautiful clumps of yellowish stems on lake margins. Nodding flower spikes look like a bottlebrush. Excellent for restorations and water gardens.	•		
<i>Carex crinita</i> Caterpillar Sedge	Green May to June	30-42"	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Clump-forming. 4" nodding spikes resemble a caterpillar. Very nice for wet site restorations and for water gardens. Excellent for control of shoreland erosion.	•		
<i>Carex hystericina</i> Porcupine Sedge	Green May to June	24-42"	MW, W	full sun to part shade	Very similar to <i>Carex comosa</i> . Very attractive plants for shoreland restorations and water gardening.	•		
<i>Carex vulpinoidea</i> Fox Sedge	Green May to June	18-30"	MD, M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Beautiful clump-forming sedge of lake and wetland margins. Very attractive multi-tiered flower spikes persist through the summer and into the fall.	•	•	
<i>Juncus effusus</i> Soft Rush	Brown July to Aug	24-48"	M, MW, W	full sun to part shade	Deep green wirey stems in large clumps along waterways and in a variety of wetlands. Evergreen plants remain attractive into winter.	•		

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